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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENTS AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Kazuo Sakuma

Art Unit: 1651

Application No.: 10/066,224

Examiner : Mr. Ruth A. Davis

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For : Preventive and therapeutic agents for microbe-related syndromes including HIV

Reply (Selection of invention)

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Commissioner for Patents

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction of Invention Requirement dated 04/15/2003, Applicant selects the invention of Group I, namely Claims 1-12 and 25-27, which is drawing to gearing. Applicant makes this selection of invention with the expressed intent of not abandoning his invention contained in the other claim and expressly reserves the right to take whatever other action is necessary to preserve his invention contained in the other claim.

Applicant further respectfully and retroactively requests an extension of time to respond to the Office Action. Please charge the prescribed fee.

Please charge any additional costs incurred by or in order to implement this Election of invention or required by any requests for extension of time.

Respectfully submitted,

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